



February 23, 2021

National FOIA Office  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW (2310A)  
Washington, DC 20460

**Via FOIAonline**

Re: Presidential Executive Order 13990 of January 20, 2021

Dear Sir or Madam:

Pacific Legal Foundation (PLF) seeks information relating to the response of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to Section 2(b) of President Biden's January 20, 2021, Executive Order, "Executive Order on Protecting Public Health and the Environment and Restoring Science to Tackle the Climate Crisis," 86 Fed. Reg. 7037, 7038 (Jan. 25, 2021) (Order). Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, PLF hereby requests the disclosure of:

- (i) every "preliminary list of any actions" described in Section 2(b) of the Order that EPA has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget prior to February 20, 2021, and
- (ii) any "preliminary list of any actions" described in Section 2(b) of the Order that EPA has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget subsequent to February 19, 2021, up to and including the date of EPA's response to this request.

If the documents sought are stored electronically, please provide the information on a disk readable by an IBM-compatible personal computer and identify the program used, or send the information as an email attachment to [afrancois@pacificlegal.org](mailto:afrancois@pacificlegal.org). Or, if the documents are accessible to the public through an online docketing system or on an agency website, please so indicate along with the URL where they may be accessed. Otherwise, please provide hard copies, which may be mailed to Pacific Legal Foundation, 930 "G" Street, Sacramento, California 95814.

If you determine that you cannot disclose any of the requested information in its entirety, PLF requests that you release any and all reasonably redacted or segregated material that may be separated and released. For any documents, or portions thereof, that you determine to be exempt from disclosure, PLF requests that you exercise your

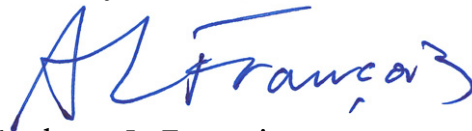
discretion to disclose the materials, absent a finding that a reasonable basis exists to invoke an exemption.

Should you withhold disclosure of documents within the scope of this request, PLF asks that you provide an index that (1) identifies each and every document that is withheld; (2) states with specificity that statutory exemption claimed for each document; and (3) explains how disclosure of a particular document would damage the interest protected by a particular exemption.

PLF is prepared to pay up to \$100 for the requested documents. If that amount is not likely to be sufficient to ensure disclosure of all requested documents, please contact me so that PLF may determine whether the scope of the request can be narrowed or whether an additional authorization may be warranted.

Thank you for your immediate attention to this matter. If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact me by telephone, (916) 419-7111, or by email, [afrancois@pacificlegal.org](mailto:afrancois@pacificlegal.org).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "A. L. François". The signature is stylized with a large initial "A" and a cursive "L".

Anthony L. François  
Senior Attorney